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In re Patent Application of:

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Title: CONFIGURABLE RULE-ENGINE
FOR LAYER-7 AND TRAFFIC
CHARACTERISTIC-BASED
CLASSIFICATION

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November 22, 2000

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified Application

as follows.

IN THE DRAWINGS

A Drawing Change Authorization Request is filed concurrently herewith, requesting

clarifying changes to FIGs. 2A, 2B.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification, as follows.

Page 16, line 14, after "**210A-D**", insert -- . --; change "and performs actions to

classify the received packets into their proper class in response to the information provided